



2-353rd Infantry Battalion "VANGUARDS" Command Sergeant Major



CSM John A. Brady was born and raised near Dennison, Ohio and entered the Army in July 1988. After attending One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Georgia he was assigned to Company A, 4/27th Infantry (Wolfhounds), 25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. In 1992 he reenlisted for six years and was assigned to HHC, 1/504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82d Airborne Division where he served as a Team Leader, Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant and the Assistant Operations NCO. In 1995 CSM Brady received notice to report to the Ranger Indoctrination Program 75th Ranger Regiment. Upon completion and selection from RIP CSM Brady was assigned to Company C, 3d Ranger Battalion where he served as a Jeep and Bike Squad Leader, JCT/CSAR Platoon Sergeant, Assistant Operation NCO, Liaison NCO, Operations NCO and First Sergeant. CSM Brady was then

selected to serve as the Ranger Training Detachment Commandant, while in this position he was selected for promotion to Sergeant Major and attended the United States Sergeants Major Academy in July of 2006. In May 2007 he was assigned to HHC, 1st Ranger Battalion as the Operations Sergeant Major and in May of 2009 he was assigned to HHC, 75th Ranger Regiment as the Operation Sergeant Major. In 2011, he was selected to serve as the 1-19th IN OSUT Battalion Command Sergeant Major, his most recent assignment prior to assuming responsibility of the Vanguard Battalion.

Command Sergeant Major Brady's awards include the Bronze Star Medal (2nd Award), Meritorious Service Medal (4th Award), Army Commendation Medal (6th Award), Army Achievement Medal (2nd Award), Good Conduct Medal (7 Knots), Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (Numeral 4), National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (2nd Award), Southwest Asia Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (4 Combat Star), Iraq Campaign Medal (2 Combat Star), Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War On Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Multinational Forces and Observers Medal, Saudi Arabia Kuwait Liberation Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Valorous Unit Award, Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, and Expert Infantryman Badge.